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In re Patent Application of:
Jill A. Williams et al.

Application No.: 09/980,895

Confirmation No.: 1554

Filed: July 15, 2002

Art Unit: 3732

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
TREATING DENTAL CARIES

Examiner: T. E. Manahan

COMMUNICATION TO THE EXAMINER

MS Petition
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby states that the abandonment of the above-identified patent application was unintentional. Applicants timely filed a Request for Continuation Application by express mail on March 21, 2005. A copy of the stamped postcard, express mail certificate, Transmittal Letter, Request for Filing A Continuation National Patent Application, and Petition for Three Month Extension of Time dated March 21, 2005, is enclosed for your convenience.

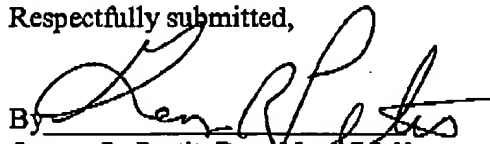
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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 21046-00045-US1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,



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In re Continuation Patent Application of: Jill A. Williams et al.

Serial No: Continuation of USSN 09/980,895

For: Method And Apparatus For Filling A Dental Root Canal

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- 1) Transmittal Letter;
- 2) Request For Filing a National Patent Application (4pgs);
- 3) Specification, claims and abstract (35 pgs);
- 4) Five (5) sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-6);
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- ☒ 1. Specification, claims and abstract of the above-referenced patent application having 35 pages.
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- ☐ 3. Declaration and executed Power of Attorney (☐ signed ☐ unsigned).
- ☐ 3A. No filing fee, Oath, or Declaration is enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d).
- ☐ 4. Information Disclosure Statement along with Form PTO-1449 and references.
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Application No.

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(1) 09/980,895

December 3, 2001

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